

# **Indiana Central University collection**

## **S1563**

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository</b>	Rare Books and Manuscripts
<b>Creator</b>	Indiana Central University.
<b>Title</b>	Indiana Central University collection
<b>Date</b>	1912-1937
<b>Extent</b>	0.01 Cubic feet 1 folder
<b>Language</b>	English
<b>Text [Folder]</b>	S1563

### Preferred Citation

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## Administrative History

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Founded in 1902, Indiana Central University opened in 1905 in the University Heights neighborhood in Indianapolis, Indiana as a private college of the Church of the United Brethren in Christ. Unusual in its day, the college was coeducational and accepted students of all races. Initially, the institution offered bachelor of arts and master of arts degrees, as well as high school diplomas, and had eight educational departments: the College of Liberal Arts, Teachers' College, Conservatory of Music, School of Oratory, School of Commerce, Bible Institute, School of Arts, and the Academy, in which students completed their preparatory work and earned high school diplomas. By 1927, the academy was discontinued and most of the other departments were absorbed into the College of Liberal Arts. The North Central Association of Schools and Colleges accredited the university in March of 1947. In 1986, the college was renamed the University of Indianapolis.

The University of Indianapolis has had nine presidents to date: J. T. Roberts (1905–1908), L. D. Bonebrake (1909–1915), I. J. Good (1915–1944), I. Lynd Esch (1945–1970), Gene E. Sease (1970–1988), G. Benjamin Lantz, Jr. (1988–1998), Jerry M. Israel (1998–2005), Beverley J. Pitts (2005–2012) and Robert L. Manuel (2012–present).

H. H. Fout was the bishop of the Northwest District in 1914.

Sources:

Items in the collection.

University of Indianapolis. "UIndy's History & Mission." About UIndy. Accessed August 13, 2015. <http://www.uindy.edu/about-uindy/history-and-mission>.

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## Scope and Contents

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This collection includes letters, publications, pledge cards, and forms from Indiana Central University in Indianapolis, Indiana ranging from 1912 to 1937 regarding the financial support of the university by the Church of the United Brethren in Christ. Much of the correspondence written by college presidents Lewis D. Bonebrake and I.J. Good and members of the fundraising campaign committee to members of the United Brethren church concerning fundraising, summer bible school for pastors, district church conferences, and information about the university itself. There is also a copy of the January 17, 1937 issue of *The Watchword* (vol. 44, no. 3), a Christian periodical, which includes an article by I.J. Good entitled, "Life at Indiana Central College, Indianapolis, Indiana" (p. 8-9).

## Arrangement

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This collection is arranged chronologically.

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### Publication Information

Rare Books and Manuscripts

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No further additions are expected.

### Processing Information

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## Controlled Access Headings

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**Corporate Name(s)**

- Church of the United Brethren in Christ (New constitution).
- University of Indianapolis (1986- ).

**Genre(s)**

- Correspondence

**Personal Name(s)**

- Bonebrake, Lewis D., 1859-1916
- Fout, H. H. (Henry Harness), 1860-1947
- Good, Irby J. , 1885-1945

**Subject(s)**

- Clergy--Indiana
- College presidents
- Educational fund raising
- Private universities and colleges
- Universities and colleges--United States--History